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Serial No.: 10/527,045	)	
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For: A FLEXIBLE, KINK RESISTANT,	)	
FLUID TRANSFER HOSE	)	
CONSTRUCTION	)	

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following references (copies of which are enclosed) are submitted to the Examiner for consideration:

*U.S. References*

<u>U.S. Publication No./</u> <u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Publication Date/</u> <u>Issue Date</u>
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<sup>1</sup> This reference was cited in an international search established on parts of International Application No. PCT/US2003/27867, which corresponds to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/527,045.

*Foreign References*

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A "List of Prior Art Cited by Applicant" (PTO Form SB/08A) is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of form PTO/SB/08A with initials or other appropriate marks.

Since this information is being submitted before the mailing date of a First Office Action in this case, it should be considered by the Patent Office pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b).

Applicant is unaware of art any more pertinent to the above-identified application than the references cited above.

It is Applicant's understanding that no fee is required. However, if there is one, please charge it to Deposit Acct. No. 08-2622.

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